## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGARDING HOMELESSNESS

WHEREAS, Connecticut's municipalities routinely encounter and provide services to the thousands of households who experience homelessness each year;

WHEREAS, data shows that homelessness affects people in every municipality in Connecticut;

WHEREAS, supporting people experiencing homelessness can ultimately result in significant municipal cost-savings in expenditures on police, fire, emergency medical services, and more and can also improve the health and well-being of individuals in this circumstance and offer the support and assistance they need to make permanent and positive transitions in their lives;

WHEREAS, municipal leadership, coordination, and resources are vital to achieving an end to homelessness;

WHEREAS, the Town of Manchester takes pride in its responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare, and safety of its residents in efficient and cost-effective ways;

WHEREAS, the Town of Manchester has committed significant resources to address homelessness in our community;

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Conference on Municipalities (CCM), the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness (CCEH), Sustainable CT, and other partners are calling on municipalities to take action to prevent and end homelessness across the State of Connecticut.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT, the Manchester Board of Directors, do hereby commit to continuing to address homelessness in our community, coordinating municipal efforts with our regional Coordinated Access Network, sharing lessons learned with other municipalities, and encouraging all municipal officials and staff to support this effort.

Recognizing that efforts to end homelessness are not static, we further resolve to regularly assess recommendations to address homelessness in our community and determine ways to incorporate evolving best practices into our municipal activities.

Dated: June 14, 2022

Tim Bergin, Secretary Board of Directors